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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as shown. In addition, please provide a three-month extension of time up to and including November 28, 2004, to answer the Office Action as provided for in 37 CFR 1.136. A check in the amount of \$490.00 is enclosed for the extension of time fee. If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 502190.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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is no "access gateway" used as a bridge between them. Rather, a <u>direct</u> communication link is established between the remote portal and the customer service representative. Independent claims 19 and 25 have been amended to more clearly recite this aspect of the present invention, and are therefore patentable over Randle. Dependent claims 20-24 and 26-35 are patentable for the same reasons with regards to the independent claims.

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims in the application is respectfully requested. If any issues remain unresolved, applicants would welcome the opportunity for a telephone interview to expedite allowance and issue.

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